

# State Water Boards

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## WQCC AGENDA

April 24 & 25, 2006

Location: Cal/EPA Headquarters, Sacramento, CA

Meeting Venue: Coastal Hearing Room/Sierra Hearing Room

### Day 1, April 24<sup>th</sup>

Coastal Hearing Room

- 10:00 – 10:20**    **Opening Comments; Introduction of New Board Members** — *Tam Doduc, State Water Board Chair, and Regional Water Board Chairs*
- 10:20 – 10:50**    **State Water Board Updates** — *Celeste Cantú, State Water Board Executive Director*: Celeste will lead an update discussion on the budget, fees, resource allocation, and the new Office of Enforcement.
- 10:50 – 11:50**    **Regional Board Updates** – *Regional Board Chairs or Executive Officers*: Regional Boards will share 5-7 minute updates on recent events, highlights, accomplishments, and current challenges and concerns.
- 11:50 – 12:05**    **Storm water management, water quality protection, and land use planning/construction** - *Celeste Cantú, State Water Board Executive Director*: Celeste will lead an interactive discussion about the Ahwahnee Principles, smart growth, and what the Water Boards can do.
- 12:05 – 12:30**    **Lunch** (will be brought into meeting room)
- 12:30 – 12:50**    **EPA's Strategic Plan: Measuring water quality improvement at a watershed scale** — *Maria Rea, USEPA-Region 9*: Interactive discussion of how USEPA is setting targets and intends to measure results; relationship to Water Boards.
- 12:50 – 1:20**    **Stakeholder Updates** – Stakeholder representatives will share their perspectives on interactions with the Water Boards.
- 1:20 – 3:10**    **Updates from partner State Organizations** – Cal/EPA, our sister members within Cal/EPA, and other state partners from Resources and Health Services will provide informative updates on what's new with them and their interactions with the Water Boards.
- 3:10 – 3:20**    **Break**

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*California Environmental Protection Agency*

*Recycled Paper*



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- 3:20 – 4:00**      **Strategic Planning and Measurable Goals in the Central Coast Region –** *Jeff Young and Michael Thomas, Chair and Assistant Executive Officer:* The Central Coast Region is formulating a vision for their future with measurable goals and specific objectives to get there. They will discuss the efficacy of this approach and how they expect to benefit. Could it work for other Regions?
- 4:00 – 4:45**      **Breakout Session:** Groups will discuss the day one topics, especially applicability of Region 3 and USEPA strategic activities, in all Water Boards.
- 4:45 – 5:15**      **Reports from Breakout Sessions back to main congregation.**
- 5:15**              **Adjourn for the day**
- 5:30 – 8:00**      Regroup in Capitol Rotunda for Reception (*Governor and legislators invited*).



**Day 2, April 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sierra Hearing Room**

- 8:30 – 10:00**     **Discussion with the Chief Counsel** — *Michael Lauffer and Phil Wyles, State Water Board Chief Counsel and Assistant Chief Counsel:* This will be the traditional wide-ranging discussion of timely legal issues and refreshers including, but not limited to: EO/Board relationships, ex parte communications, conflict of interest rules, ethics requirements, hearing/meeting efficiency issues, relationships between Porter-Cologne and the Clean Water Act and other topics/questions that Regional Board Members wish to raise. In addition, there will be a brief skit on conducting public meetings
- (Executive Officers will participate in a condensed MCC meeting while the Board members attend the discussion with the Chief Counsel.)*
- 10:00 – 10:30**     **Brownfields/Site Cleanup** – *Darrin Polhemus, State Water Board Chief of Water Quality Division:* At an All Cleanup Programs Roundtable in early April, changes to Water Boards site remediation approaches and activities were discussed. These changes, the reasons behind them, and the consequences of them will be summarized for Board members.
- 10:30 – 10:45**     **Break**
- 10:45 – 11:05**     **A Vision of the Future for the Water Boards and how we get there** — *Tam Doduc, Chair, State Water Board:* An introductory discussion on how we chart this vision and what the vision will be. Interactive discussion and input will follow in the breakout sessions.
- 11:05 – 11:50**     **Breakout Session** – Groups will discuss the vision concept Tam Doduc introduced, and what they think the vision should include.
- 11:50 – 12:20**     **Reports from Breakout Sessions back to main congregation.**
- 12:20 – 12:35**     **Meeting Wrap-Up** — *Tam Doduc & All WQCC Attendees*

